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TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester on Tuesday the 10th day of March, 1981, polls to be open for voting on article 1 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon, and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, with action on the remaining articles to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
3. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Poor and Old Age Assistance.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for repairing highways and bridges during the ensuing year and to authorize the withdrawal of \$2,000.00 of said sum from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972, with the remaining \$18,000.00 to be raised from taxes.
5. To see if the Town will authorize the withdrawal of \$1,500.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund for Snow Removal and Road Equipment for the purchase of a culvert steamer.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$524.95 in order to secure from the State the sum of \$3,499.64 to be expended for Town Road Aid.
7. To see if the Town will vote to put the Town Tax Collector on Salary at \$1,500.00 per year.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for Snow Removal and Road Equipment.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for Repairs to Town Hall and other Town Buildings.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Forest Fire Department.
11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for fire protection of the Rumney Fire Department for the year March 1, 1981 to March 1, 1982. \$1,800.00 to be paid to the Town of Rumney and \$200.00 to be held in escrow by the Dorchester Selectmen for hourly wages of the firemen.
12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for fire protection of the Canaan Fire Department for the year March 1, 1981 to March 1, 1982. \$500.00 to be paid to the Town of Canaan and \$200.00 to be held in escrow by the Dorchester Selectmen for hourly wages of the firemen.
13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the support of the Dorchester Community Library.
14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the care of cemeteries for the ensuing year.
15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Town of Rumney in accordance with terms and conditions acceptable to the Dorchester Selectmen for use of the Rumney Refuse Disposal Facilities by the Town of Dorchester.
16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to finance the prorata share of the Town of Dorchester of the cost of acquisition of the Rumney Refuse Disposal Facilities, and to finance the prorata share of the Town of Dorchester of the cost of operation of the Rumney Refuse Disposal Facilities during the year 1981.
17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$73.00 as its share of the cost of publicizing and promoting the natural attractions of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 in order to support the medical emergency service and emergency transportation provided by the Canaan F.A.S.T., Inc. within the Town.
19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$505.76 in order to support the work of the Mascoma Home Health Services within the Town.
20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$159.00 as its share of the cost of operating expenses of the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council's Regional Planning Commission.
21. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Representatives and Senators who represent the Town in the General Court to support, in the current session of the General Court, the concurrent resolution to amend the State Constitution to limit the annual increase in property taxes to five percent and to limit the annual increase in spending by the state or any city, town or other governmental unit of the state by five percent. (This article inserted by petition.)
22. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following regulation:
Regulation Relative to New Construction.
Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this regulation is to provide information to the Planning Board to assist it in developing a master plan for the Town, and to assist the Selectmen in assessing new construction for tax purposes.
Section 2. Notice of Intent to Build. The owner of any real estate who plans to construct or place on any lot a new building, mobile home, or any other structure, or increase the size of any existing structure, shall, not less than fourteen (14) days before commencing such construction or placement, file with the Selectmen a written notice of intent to build, in such form as shall clearly inform the Selectmen of the nature of the proposed construction. Engineering plans and blue prints may be filed along with such notice, but shall not be compulsory.
Section 3. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation who constructs or places on any lot a new building, mobile home or any other structure or increases the size of any existing structure without having filed the notice of intent to build required by Section 1 shall be guilty of an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed

Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), and each day of non-compliance shall constitute a separate violation.

23. To see if the Town, in order to preserve the historical and architectural values of the Dorchester Community Church, will vote to establish an historical district pursuant to the provisions of RSA 89-a through 89-1 which shall consist of that portion of the Town of Dorchester that lies within the limits of a circle having a radius of 550 feet, the center point of which circle shall be marked by a plaque at the southwest corner of the Dorchester Church property as described in instrument recorded in the Grafton County Registry of Deeds, Book 862, Page 451, said plaque to be located 55 feet south of the stone wall behind the Dorchester Community Church.
24. In the event of an affirmative vote on Article 23, to see if the Town will vote to create an Historic District Commission, pursuant to RSA 89-c, to consist of seven (7) members, one of whom shall be a selectman, to be chosen by the selectmen, one of whom shall be a member of the planning board, to be chosen by the planning board, and five (5) of whom shall be other residents of the Town who shall be appointed at town meeting, the members of said Commission to be appointed for three year terms except the initial appointments shall be staggered so that subsequent appointments shall not recur at the same time, and provided further that the members of said Commission shall serve without compensation and shall serve no more than two (2) successive terms.
25. In the event of an affirmative vote on Article 23, to appoint five (5) members of the Historic District Commission, two to serve for three (3) years, two to serve for two (2) years and one to serve for one (1) year.
26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or mineral rights acquired by the Town by any Tax Collector's deed.
27. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for the same.

28. To hear the reports of agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
29. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 10th day of February, 1981.

ALBERT J. FRANZ
ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALFRED E. ASHLEY
Selectmen of Dorchester

A true copy

Attest:

ALBERT J. FRANZ
ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALFRED E. ASHLEY

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

Albert J. Franz, '81

Alfred E. Ashley, '83

Ernest J. Hanley, '82

Moderator

Alexander Lennox, Jr.

Tax Collector

Delbert Gray

Town Clerk

Nellie M. Ashley

Treasurer

Jean M. Krzyzak

Road Agent

Raymond E. Conkey

Forest Fire Warden

Richard P. Carter

Health Officer

Herbert Wilson

Relief Agent

Barbara Jennings

Police Officer & Dog Constable

John Cote

Deputies

Kenneth Hall – Ralph Gove

Trustees of Trust Funds

Beverly Hall, '81

Patricia Franz, '82

Frances E. Merrill, '83

Supervisors of Check Lists

Estelle Milman

Margaret M. Lennox, '82

(appointment expires Town Meeting '81)

Marion Delsart, '86

Auditors

G. Clark Williams

Carol Wilson

Cemetery Committee

Nella H. Ashley, Chairman

Library Trustees

Michael Lach, '81

Martha L. Walker

Kathleen Williams, '82

Eric P. Bergstrom

Robert W. Thayer, '83

Planning Board

Alexander Lennox, Jr., '81, Chairman

Linda M. Gove, '83, Sec.

William Cote (appointed)

James H. Gile, '84

Albert J. Franz, Selectman

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land		
Improved and Unimproved	\$3,591,785.00	
Buildings	3,042,730.00	
Electric Poles and Fixtures	238,600.00	
House Trailers (22)	<u>140,964.00</u>	
Total Valuation		\$7,014,964.00
Property Exemptions (4)		<u>20,000.00</u>
Net Valuation		\$6,994,079.00
Veteran's Widows Exemption from Resident Tax (2)		
Tax Rate – \$1.78		

CURRENT USE REPORT

Number of Individual Property Owners who were granted Current Use Exemptions in 1980	– 16
Total Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use in 1980 –	14,167.9 Acres
Total Assessed Value of Land Under Current Use	\$477,343.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:	
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Police Department, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	600.00
Highway Department, Equipment	25,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings, Equipment	<u>3,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$43,400.00

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF
DORCHESTER, N.H.**

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1981 to December 31, 1981

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1981
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 6,200.00	\$ 6,647.66	\$ 6,200.00
Town officers' expenses	2,200.00	2,107.98	2,200.00
Election & Registration exp.	900.00	987.40	350.00
Exp. Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	500.00	270.49	500.00
Reappraisal of property	10,000.00	8,600.00	400.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	1,800.00	1,218.45	1,800.00
Fire dept., incl. forest fires	3,200.00	2,624.12	3,200.00
Planning & Zoning	1,500.00	433.75	400.00
Insurance	3,500.00	3,625.00	4,000.00
Health Department:			
Health Dept. - Hospital - Amb.	688.18	1,126.36	800.00
Town Dump	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Road Aid	530.46	530.46	524.95
Town Maintenance	20,000.00	18,491.91	20,000.00
Class V	7,663.28	7,663.28	10,311.81
Libraries:			
Library	150.00	150.00	150.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	6,000.00	3,464.05	3,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day	25.00	12.00	15.00
Recreation:			
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	73.00		73.00

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1981
Public Services Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Unclassified:			
Damages & Legal Expenses	1,200.00	276.15	600.00
Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council	145.00	145.00	159.00
Debt Service:			
Interest on temporary loans	300.00	450.00	1,000.00
Capital Outlay:			
Pemigewasset National Bank - Truck Loan	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
Pemigewasset National Bank - Interest on Truck Loan	577.50	577.50	385.00
School Tax		53,462.34	
County Tax		8,824.00	
Payment to Capital Reserve Fund:			
Snow Removal & Road Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
Building Fund	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$73,852.42	\$128,387.90	\$63,768.76
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Taxes			<u>40,973.05</u>
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			\$22,795.71

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year
From Local Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 1,200.00
Yield Taxes	4,700.00	4,380.81	4,500.00
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	200.00	425.06	400.00
Resident Tax Penalties		18.00	
Inventory Penalties		30.00	
From State:			
Meals & Rooms Tax	1,000.00	1,132.16	1,000.00
Interest & Dividends Tax	2,000.00	2,339.07	2,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	200.00	279.55	200.00
Highway Subsidy	5,425.48	5,425.48	5,362.35
Town Road Aid	3,536.41	3,536.41	3,499.64
Class V. Highway Maintenance	7,663.28	7,663.28	10,311.81
Reimb. a/c State-Federal			
Forest Land	275.00	159.25	300.00
Reimb. a/c Forest Fire Meetings		51.01	
Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	100.00	230.27	200.00
Additional Highway Subsidy	4,541.84	4,118.00	4,049.25
Business Profits Tax	1,800.00	2,824.35	2,000.00
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	4,500.00	4,399.50	4,200.00
Dog Licenses	150.00	145.50	130.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	20.00	24.00	20.00
Insurance Adjustment		51.31	
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:			
Revenue Sharing Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>1,600.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$39,312.01	\$42,293.01	\$40,973.05

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1980

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer	<u>\$40,673.00</u>	
Total		\$40,673.00

Capital Reserve Funds:

Snow Removal	7,610.00	
Town Building Fund	<u>1,650.00</u>	
Total		9,260.00

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1980, incl. Resident Taxes	68,358.00	
Levy of 1979	10,362.00	
Levy of 1978	<u>294.00</u>	
Total		<u>79,014.00</u>

TOTAL ASSETS

		128,947.00
Fund Balance - December 31, 1979		18,130.00
Fund Balance - December 31, 1980		<u>40,673.00</u>
Change in Financial Condition		\$22,543.00

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the Town:

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	\$ 1,551.00	
Unexpended State Highway Subsidy Funds	1,132.00	
School District(s) Tax(es) Payable	25,960.00	
Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding	<u>50,000.00</u>	
Total Accounts Owed by the Town		\$78,643.00

State and Town Joint Highway Construction Accounts:

Unexpended balance in Town Treasury (TRA)	<u>\$ 371.00</u>	
Total of State and Town Joint Highway Construction Account		\$ 371.00

Capital Reserve Funds:	\$ 9,260.00	\$ 9,260.00
Total Liabilities		\$ 88,274.00
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)		<u>40,673.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$128,947.00

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes - Current Year - 1980	\$53,729.00	
Resident Taxes - Current Year - 1980	970.00	
Yield Taxes - Current Year - 1980	4,381.00	
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes – Previous Years	10,127.00	
Resident Taxes – Previous Years	90.00	
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	558.00	
Penalties: Resident Taxes	18.00	
Inventory Late Filing Fees	<u>30.00</u>	
Total Taxes Collected and Remitted		\$69,903.00

From State:

Meals and Rooms Tax	\$ 1,132.00	
Interest and Dividends Tax	2,339.00	
Savings Bank Tax	280.00	
Highway Subsidy	5,425.00	
Town Road Aid	2,349.00	
Class V Highway Maintenance	7,663.00	
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	159.00	
Reimb. a/c Fighting Forest Fires	51.00	
Reimb. a/c Road Toll Refund	230.00	
Reimb. a/c Business Profits Tax	2,824.00	
Additional Highway Subsidy	<u>4,118.00</u>	
Total Receipt From State		\$26,570.00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Permits Fees	\$ 4,400.00	
Dog Licenses	145.00	
Bus. Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	<u>87.00</u>	
Total Income From Local Sources		\$ 4,632.00

Receipts other than Current Revenue:	
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$50,000.00
Insurance adjustments	51.00
Withdrawals from Revenue Sharing	4,000.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	<u>7,788.00</u>
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	\$ 61,839.00
Grants From Federal Government:	
Revenue Sharing	\$ 1,551.00
Int. on Investments of Revenue Sharing Funds	<u>167.00</u>
Total Grants From Federal Government	\$ 1,718.00
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	61,839.00
Total Receipts from All Sources	164,662.00
Cash on hand January 1, 1980	<u>15,265.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$179,927.00

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 6,648.00
Town officers' expenses	2,108.00
Election and Registration expenses	987.00
Town Hall and Other Buildings expenses	270.00
Reappraisal of property	<u>8,600.00</u>
Total General Governmental Expenses	\$18,613.00
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department	\$ 1,218.00
Fire Department, inc. forest fires	2,624.00
Planning and Zoning	434.00
Insurance	<u>3,625.00</u>
Total Protection of Persons and Property Expenses	\$ 7,901.00
Health:	
Health Dept.	\$ 1,126.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Health Expenses	\$ 2,626.00

Highways and Bridges:		
Town road aid	\$ 2,340.00	
Town Maintenance	18,492.00	
Additional Highway Subsidy	3,987.00	
Class V	<u>7,663.00</u>	
Total Highways and Bridges Expenses		\$32,482.00
Libraries		\$ 150.00
Public Welfare:		
Old age assistance	\$ <u>3,464.00</u>	
Total Public Welfare Expenses		\$ 3,464.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day - Old home day	\$ <u>12.00</u>	
Total Patriotic Purpose Expenses		\$ 12.00
Public Services Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	\$ <u>500.00</u>	
Total Public Service Enterprise Expenses		\$ 500.00
Unclassified:		
Damages and Legal expenses	\$ 276.00	
Advertising and Regional Associations	145.00	
Timber Tax Security Pd. to Collector	<u>3,592.00</u>	
Total Unclassified Expenses		\$ 4,013.00
Debt Service:		
Principal - long term notes and bonds	\$ 3,500.00	
Interest - long term notes and bonds	578.00	
Interest on temporary loans	<u>450.00</u>	
Total Debt Service Payments		\$ 4,528.00
Capital Outlay:		
Snow Removal & Road Equipment	\$ 1,000.00	
Town Building Fund	<u>200.00</u>	
Total Capital Outlay Payments		\$ 1,200.00

Payments to other Governmental Divisions:

TRA	\$	530.00	
Payment to State a/c Dog License Fees		20.00	
Payments to State a/c 2% bond and Debt Retirement Taxes		699.00	
Taxes paid to County		8,887.00	
Payments to School Districts		<u>53,462.00</u>	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Div.			\$ 63,598.00
Total Payments for all Purposes			139,087.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1980			<u>40,673.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL			\$179,760.00

SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Pemigewasset National Bank – for truck	\$	<u>7,000.00</u>	
Total Long Term Notes Outstanding			\$ <u>7,000.00</u>
Total Long Term Indebtedness – Dec. 31, 1980			\$ 7,000.00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALFRED E. ASHLEY
ALBERT J. FRANZ
ERNEST J. HANLEY
Selectmen

JEAN M. KRZYZAK
Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of Principal Town Officers:

Albert J. Franz – Selectman	\$1,000.00
Ernest J. Hanley – Selectman	1,000.00
Alfred E. Ashley – Selectman	1,000.00
Jean M. Krzyzak – Treasurer	500.00
Nellie M. Ashley – Town Clerk & Auto Permits	718.00
Nella H. Ashley – Selectmen’s Clerk	900.00
Delbert Gray – Tax Collector	1,479.66
Matilda M. Ernst – Auditor	25.00
Mary Carroll Abell – Auditor	25.00

Town Officers’ Expenses:

Albert J. Franz – mileage & expenses	150.00
Ernest J. Hanley – mileage & expenses	48.50
Alfred E. Ashley – mileage & expenses	75.00
Nella H. Ashley – mileage, expenses & Notary fees	87.74
Delbert Gray – expenses	132.65
Postmaster, Rumney, N.H. – stamps	105.00
N.H. Tax Collector’s Assoc. – dues	15.00
N.H. City & Town Clerk’s Assoc. – dues	10.00
N.H. Assessor’s Assoc. – dues	20.00
Delbert Gray – Town Officers’ Bonds	93.00
Mountain Media – notices	50.90
N.H. Municipal Assoc. – dues	300.00
Clifford-Nicol Printing – Town Reports & Selectmen’s stamp	657.30
Brown & Saltmarsh – supplies	143.51
N.H. Electric Coop. – service	6.18
N.H.M.A. Unemployment Comp.	11.04
Real Data Corp. – Grantor Index	10.00
Nella H. Ashley – revising Tax Map	25.00
Branham Publishing Co. – auto reference book	15.60
New England Tel. – services	76.54
Homestead Press – supplies	63.02
Clay’s News Stand – supplies	12.00

TOTAL

\$8,755.64

Election & Registration Expenses:

The Gazette – Supervisor’s notices	\$ 12.00
Mountain Media – Supervisor’s notices	47.80
Clifford-Nicol, Inc. – printing ballots	61.60
Nancy A. Cote – Supervisor	107.00
Margaret M. Lennox – Supervisor	103.25
Marion Delsart – Supervisor	136.00
Arlene Carter – Ballot Clerk	68.25
Frances E. Merrill – Ballot Clerk	68.25
Alexander Lennox, Jr. – Moderator	99.75
Nellie M. Ashley – Town Clerk at Polls	84.00
Alfred E. Ashley – Selectman at Polls	84.00
Ernest J. Hanley – Selectman at Polls	59.50
Albert J. Franz – Selectman at Polls	<u>56.00</u>

TOTAL

\$987.40

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

John A. Cote – Chief		
Number of Calls – 84	\$544.50	
Mileage – 955	<u>162.35</u>	
		\$ 706.85
Ralph Gove – Deputy		
Number of Calls – 29	\$158.00	
Mileage – 117	<u>19.89</u>	
		177.89
Kenneth Hall – Deputy		
Number of Calls – 19	\$158.75	
Mileage – 283	<u>49.31</u>	
		208.06
Department Expenses		<u>125.65</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$1,218.45

All wages and expenses are paid in full to the end of the year.
 All time and calls are recorded in the Police Log Book.

Respectfully Submitted,
JOHN A. COTE
 Chief of Police

John A. Cote
 Chief of Police
 Tel. 786-9035

Ralph L. Gove
 Deputy
 Tel. 523-4570

Kenneth Hall
 Deputy
 Tel. 786-9703

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of Cars – 218	\$4,379.50	
Filing Fees – 13	13.00	
Dogs – 39	<u>164.50</u>	
		\$4,557.00
Total Remitted to Treasurer		\$4,557.00

Respectfully submitted,
NELLIE M. ASHLEY
 Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1980

—DR.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Inventory Penalties	\$ 100.00	
Property Taxes	121,914.35	
Resident Taxes	<u>1,450.00</u>	
Total Warrants		\$123,464.35

Yield Taxes

Warrant	\$ 7,831.33	
Paid in 1979	<u>1,070.50</u>	
		\$ 6,760.83

Added Taxes:

Resident Taxes	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
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Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	12.00	<u>\$ 12.00</u>
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TOTAL DEBITS **\$130,297.18**

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer:

Inventory Penalties	\$ 20.00	
Property Taxes	53,728.76	
Resident Taxes	1,000.00	
Yield Taxes	4,380.81	
Penalties on Res. Taxes	<u>12.00</u>	\$ 59,141.57

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 357.78	\$ 357.78
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Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1980:

Inventory Penalties	\$ 80.00	
Property Taxes	67,827.81	
Resident Taxes	510.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>2,380.00</u>	\$ 70,797.83

TOTAL CREDITS **\$130,297.18**

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1979**

-DR.-

Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1980:

Property Taxes	\$10,382.18	
Resident Taxes	300.00	
Yield Taxes	8.79	
		\$10,690.97

Interest Collected on Delinquent Prop. Taxes	331.59	
Redemption Costs Collected	109.70	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	6.00	

TOTAL DEBITS **\$11,138.26**

-CR.-

**Remittances to Treasurer During
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1980:**

Property Taxes	\$ 9,394.44	
Resident Taxes	60.00	
Redemption Costs	109.70	
Interest Collected During Year	331.59	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	6.00	
		\$ 9,901.73

Uncollected Taxes - Dec. 31, 1980:

Property Taxes	\$ 987.74	
Resident Taxes	240.00	
Yield Taxes	8.79	
		\$ 1,236.53

TOTAL CREDITS **\$11,138.26**

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1978**

-DR.-

**Uncollected Taxes – As of
January 1, 1980:**

Property Taxes	\$ 858.63		
Resident Taxes	160.00		
Yield Taxes	23.56		
			\$ 1,042.19

**Interest Collected on Delinquent
Property Taxes**

	\$ 93.47	\$ 93.47	
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Redemption Costs Collected

	\$ 22.95	\$ 22.95	
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TOTAL DEBITS

\$ 1,158.61

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**Remittances to Treasurer During
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1980:**

Property Taxes	\$ 747.40		
Redemption Costs	22.95		
Interest Collected During Year	93.47		
			\$ 863.82

Uncollected Taxes – Dec. 31, 1980:

Property Taxes	\$ 111.23		
Resident Taxes	160.00		
Yield Taxes	23.56		
			\$ 294.79

TOTAL CREDITS

\$ 1,158.61

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1980**

-DR.-

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:		
	1979	1978	1977
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes – Jan. 1, 1980	None	\$858.63	
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$2,440.03		
Interest Collected After Sale	331.59	92.24	
Redemption Costs	109.70	22.95	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,881.32	\$973.82	None

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Remittances to Treasurer			
During Year:			
Redemptions	\$1,452.29	\$747.40	
Interest & Costs After Sale	441.29	115.19	
Unredeemed Taxes - Dec. 31, 1980	987.74	111.23	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,881.32	\$973.82	None

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALE

1978 – George Ayers	\$111.23	
1979 – George Ayers		\$159.39
Sherrill A. Canady		231.84
Forrest & Constance Currier		400.89
Lawrence Tibolt		195.62
		\$987.74

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31st, 1980, on account of the tax levy of 1979, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DELBERT B. GRAY
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1980	\$ 15,265.11
From Tax Collector	69,892.63
From Town Clerk	4,557.00
From Selectmen	<u>88,495.87</u>

Total Receipts **\$178,210.61**

Payments:

By order of Selectmen 139,088.85

Cash on Hand, December 31, 1980 **\$ 39,121.76**

REVENUE SHARING FUND

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1980	\$ 2,865.16
Received, 1980	2,519.00
Interest, 1980	<u>167.23</u>
	\$ 5,551.39
Withdrawn by Selectmen	<u>4,000.00</u>

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1980 **\$ 1,551.39**

Respectfully Submitted,

JEAN M. KRZYZAK
Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

CEMETERY FUNDS

Balance on Hand January 1, 1980	\$1,525.41	
Interest received during year	<u>85.76</u>	
		\$1,611.17
Expended during year	<u>\$ 80.50</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31, 1980		\$1,530.67

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Snow Removal Equipment

Balance on Hand January 1, 1980	\$6,255.60	
Interest received during year	354.44	
Received from Selectmen	<u>1,000.00</u>	
		\$7,610.04
Expended during year	<u>000.00</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31, 1980		\$7,610.04

TOWN BUILDING FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 1980	\$1,717.11	
Interest received during year	93.10	
Received from Selectmen	<u>200.00</u>	
		\$2,010.21
Expended during year (paint for exterior of Town Hall & Library/Selectmen's Room)	<u>360.52</u>	
Balance on Hand December 31, 1980		\$1,649.69

Respectfully Submitted,

BEVERLY HALL
PATRICIA FRANZ
FRANCES MERRILL
Trustees of Trust Funds

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Total Appropriation \$20,000.00

Expenditures – Labor

Raymond E. Conkey	\$5,889.51
Pauline M. Conkey	1,084.93
Cushman Ainslie	823.15
William Kramer	165.00
David J. Carter	499.65
Brett MacDonald	60.00
Roland Kilgore	26.25
Larry H. Walker, Jr.	45.00
Clarence Poitras, Sr.	37.50
Sherrill A. Canedy	41.25
Gene C. Sanborn	<u>7.50</u>

Total Labor \$8,679.74

Miscellaneous Payments:

Raymond E. Conkey – mileage, pick-up plowing and chain saw rental	\$ 973.60
Shortt's Garage – gas	1,069.56
Camper's Rest – gas	784.69
Muzzy's Gen. Store – gas	158.69
McAllister's Gen. Store – gas	72.11
Webster Motors, Inc. – truck parts	33.06
Lakeside Oil – bottled gas	35.75
Ernest Mitchell – backhoe	212.50
Larry H. Walker, Sr. – pick-up plowing	82.00
Sanel Auto Parts – parts	121.68
Hawkensen Enterprises – supplies	21.88
Kibby Equipment – plow blades & parts	619.59
Merrimack Farmers' Exch. – road salt	415.40
Internal Revenue Service – withholding	208.90
Buck's Welding & Repair – labor on truck & loader	340.50
Wilson Tire – tires, tubes & mounts	589.05
Brooks Auto Supply – battery & blades	137.73
International Salt Co. – road salt	361.38

T.B.C. Machinery – parts	\$ 670.88
Octave Bourdelais – backhoe & loader	452.50
Plymouth Auto Supply – parts	48.55
Carter Bros. – bridge stringers	100.00
Phil Smith Const. – building bridge	395.00
Ernest J. Hanley – hauling plank & stringers	90.00
Raymond Keniston – bridge plank	514.00
Nichols Hardware – gas & supplies	40.99
Rand’s Hardware Center – shovels	33.88
Campton Sand & Gravel – cold patch	123.08
Lebanon Crushed Stone – hard patch	21.22
Irving MacDonald – gravel & loader	82.50
Ireton Const. – gravel & chipper rental	242.50
Harold’s General Repair – repairs to truck & inspection	59.00
Phyllis B. Ashley – sandpile	<u>700.00</u>

Total Parts & Services \$9,812.17

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$18,491.91

Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1980 1,508.09

Maintenance Allotment from State for Class V Highways:

1980 Allotment	\$7,663.28
Rebuilding Cummings Pond Rd.	<u>7,663.28</u>
Balance	0,000.00

T.R.A.

1980 Allotment	\$4,066.87
Rebuilding Cummings Pond Rd.	
Labor	\$2,340.00
Culverts	<u>1,355.94</u>

Total Expenditures \$3,695.94

Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1980 \$ 370.93

Additional Highway Subsidy:

Balance on Hand from 1979	\$1,000.53	
From State – 1980 Allotment	<u>4,118.00</u>	\$5,118.53
Expended		<u>3,987.01</u>
Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1980		\$1,131.52

Respectfully Submitted,

RAYMOND E. CONKEY
Road Agent

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN and STATE FOREST FIRE SERVICE

Forest Fire Prevention: Your Business, Our Business, Good Business. Forest fire prevention slogans have been seen in association with Smokey Bear since the late nineteen forties when a national effort to check the spread of forest fires was implemented.

New Hampshire residents recognized that forest fire prevention and suppression was the responsibility of every citizen, a half century before this national campaign, when our legislature established our first forest fire laws in 1903. Since that date, the State has appointed a town/city forest fire warden who is responsible for forest fire law enforcement in his municipality.

All fires kindled out of doors when there is no snow on the ground must be approved in writing by the forest fire warden before being kindled. All forest fires must be suppressed by the warden and his deputies as soon as they are reported. The cost of fire suppression is shared jointly by the town/city and the State of New Hampshire, as are forest fire prevention and forest fire training costs.

This state and local municipality cooperative forest fire program has given New Hampshire one of the best forest fire records in the United States.

1980 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires*	No. of Acres Burned **
State	1,226	693
District	20	20½
Town	1	1/160

* Includes Short Fire Reports

**Includes woods and grass

JOHN Q. RICARD
District Fire Chief

RICHARD P. CARTER
Forest Fire Warden

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Richard P. Carter – Warden – Expenses – 1980		\$ 75.00
 Deputy Wardens:		
Louis Delsart	\$ 25.00	
Albert Carter	25.00	
George Conkey	25.00	
Robert Thayer	<u>25.00</u>	
 Total Deputy Wardens		 \$ 100.00
 Training Meeting at Canaan:		
Richard Carter – Warden – Expenses	\$ 31.86	
Louis Delsart – Deputy – Expenses	27.36	
Albert Carter – Deputy – Expenses	27.36	
George Conkey – Deputy – Expenses	27.36	
Robert Thayer – Deputy – Mileage – Expenses	<u>35.18</u>	
 Total Expenses		 \$ 149.12
 Town of Rumney – Fire Department – Fire Protection		
		\$1,800.00
 Town of Canaan – Fire Department – Fire Protection		
		<u>\$ 500.00</u>
 TOTAL		 \$2,624.12

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD P. CARTER
Forest Fire Warden

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Cemeteries, Library and Trustees of Trust Funds and find them correctly and properly vouched.

CAROL H. WILSON
MARY CARROLL ABEL
Auditors

February 10, 1981

REPORT OF THE DORCHESTER CEMETERY COMMITTEE

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand January 1, 1980	\$ 57.65
Received from Selectmen	500.00
Received from Trustees of Trust Funds	80.50
Contribution from Isaac Burnham	<u>20.00</u>

\$658.15

Payments:

Care of North Dorchester Cemetery	\$ 46.00
Care of Cheever Cemetery	143.00
Care of Town House Cemetery	54.00
Care of Dorchester Cemetery	100.00
Care of "See-it-All" Cemetery	18.00
F.C. Hammond & Son, Lumber for Cheever Cemetery fence	99.54
Gerrity Building & Supply Paint, paint brushes, spikes & nails	120.87
Bank Service Charges	1.62
Registrar of Deeds	<u>12.50</u>

\$595.53

Balance on Hand December 31, 1980

\$ 62.62

The task of rebuilding and painting the fence in the Cheever Cemetery is nearly completed and adds greatly to the beauty of this much visited cemetery.

Several gravestones in the Cheever, No. Dorchester and "See-it-All" cemeteries remain in need of repair.

At the request of the Cemetery Committee the Board of Selectmen allowed two lots in the Dorchester Cemetery to be exchanged for lots in a more desirable part of the cemetery away from any possible drainage problem. These lots had been sold before any development was made on the upper side of the cemetery. Since the deeds of these lots had already been recorded the Committee felt it should bear the cost of recording a corrected deed. Lot #51 was deeded to Delbert and Edith Gray to replace Lot #4 and Lot #28 to Alfred and Nella Ashley to replace Lot #2.

Many of the lots in the Dorchester Cemetery will have to be replotted and remeasured to allow for the new road through the cemetery laid out two years ago.

Respectfully submitted,
NELLA H. ASHLEY
MARTHA L. WALKER
ERIC P. BERGSTROM
Dorchester Cemetery Committee

DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Each year, the library is used by a few people who have never visited us before and are surprised to find that we can meet all of their requests, whether they are reading for pleasure or searching for specific information. In many cases, the books are found in our own collection, which includes a fair number of reference books and other non-fiction, as well as a satisfactory choice of good fiction.

But, we own only 1200 books, and our budget for buying books and magazines is only \$150.00 per year. (This is our total budget). We are therefore fortunate to have the resources of the State Library Bookmobile and Interlibrary Loan available to us. Through them, we are able to borrow even the very newest titles, and have done so frequently this year.

We hope we will always have the privilege of using these state sources, but if library legislation now before the State Legislature passes, we may not. The laws would require us to be open 8 hours a week, buy current reference materials, and pay a librarian, (now a volunteer), at least the minimum wage. To do this, we would need a much larger library budget. If we can not meet the requirements, should the bill pass, we will be left with nothing but our 1200 books. We hope this never happens.

Last year, 2,604 state books were borrowed for the people of Dorchester. Only two towns in our Library District borrowed more.

Our 1980 circulation was 558 books, 73 magazines, compared with 445 and 107 in 1979. The figure is very good for a town whose population is small, and whose library is open only 2 hours a week, from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Volunteers Cheryl Conkey, Brenda Howe, Pat Franz and Gay Gould have contributed in many ways this year to help raise the standards of our library and make it a valuable asset to our town.

Respectfully Submitted,
CAROL H. WILSON
Librarian

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1980	\$ 23.84	
From Town	150.00	
Donations	17.01	
Interest from Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank	<u>1.68</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$192.53

Expenditures

Magazine Subscriptions	\$ 47.37	
Books	120.51	
Postage and Supplies	2.50	
Insurance	17.00	
Personalized Checks	1.29	
Bank Service Charge	<u>.20</u>	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$188.87
Balance on hand December 31, 1980		\$ 3.66

Respectfully Submitted,
KATHY WILLIAMS, Treasurer
MICHAEL J. LACH
ROBERT W. THAYER
Board of Trustees

MASCOMA HOME HEALTH SERVICES

Mascoma Home Health Services, formerly known as Mascoma Area Health Council with this year start its 13th year of service to the Mascoma Valley towns of Canaan, Enfield, Grafton, Dorchester and Orange.

The services are funded in part by the towns that are served and this guarantees that home health services, visiting nurse, physical therapist, home health aide and the recently added service occupational therapy will be available to all residents of that town. Participation also allows for disease prevention programs, well child clinics, dental clinics and blood pressure screenings.

The agency is a certified agency under the Medicare program and all towns which it contracts with will have at least one representative on the Board of Directors, so have a decision in policy making.

Anyone can request services — you need not wait for your doctor to refer. A nurse or therapist will make an evaluation visit to determine if services can be helpful, further visits will be made under physicians orders.

The agency serves all ages — all economic groups with a goal of preventing or shortening institutionalization, promoting rehabilitation to patients maximum and return to independence.

Some examples of services possible are treatments, dressings, injections, teaching families the care of a patient, evaluation of status care of the acutely ill, chronically and terminally ill. Some of the most common conditions seen are cardiac disease, cancer, stroke, neurological diseases, diabetes, respiratory disease and orthopedic problems.

The services of a pediatric nurse practitioner are available to young families and a newborn visit is made by the nurse if new parents so desire it.

The office and clinic space of the agency is located on Prospect St. in Enfield, the phone number 632-7234. We are always happy to answer questions by phone or if you would care to stop at the office, show you the facility and tell you more about the work we do.

Statistics for Dorchester for the year 1980 are as follows:

Skilled Nursing	103	Home Health Visits	71
Physical Therapy	67		

Well Child Clinic 13 children registered; 21 visits made.

We look forward to continuing to provide health care services to the town of Dorchester.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet G. Knight
Executive Director

DORCHESTER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION 1980 REPORT

In 1978 a group of citizens interested in preserving the character of the buildings and land bordering the Dorchester Common petitioned the Selectmen to place an article on the Town Meeting Warrant to establish an Historic District Commission. The task of the commission was to determine the feasibility of establishing The Dorchester Common, its surrounding land and buildings as an Historic District. The article passed at the March 14, 1978 Town Meeting, and the Selectmen appointed 7 residents to serve on the Commission.

With help from the Canaan Historic District Commission and the State Historic Preservation Office, the commission determined the proposed boundaries, drew up a map, and prepared an Historic District Ordinance including guidelines for decisions on appropriateness of architectural alteration and site development. Copies of the map and ordinance were placed in the Mitchells' store on Rte. 118 and were sent to all abutting landowners. Notices of public hearings were posted in public places on November 6, 1980, and mailed to abutters in October. The hearings were held on Nov. 22, 1980, and on Dec. 13, 1980, both at 7 p.m. at the Dorchester Community Library.

Michael and Edythe Tevelson Lach gave much of their time to the work of the commission until July of 1980 when they resigned because of a temporary move to another state. The Selectmen appointed Mr. and Mrs. Ted Linn to replace the Lachs, and Carol H. Wilson replaced Mrs. Lach as chairman.

All who share an interest in creating the Historic District were happy to learn that on Nov. 25, 1980, the Dorchester Community Church was entered in the National Register of Historic Places, the official Federal listing of significant heritage resources worthy of preservation.

The commission has been guided in its work by the conviction that all of the buildings and land in the proposed district are worthy of preservation, and have at the same time worked toward an ordinance that would allow for such growth and change as are in the best interests of the community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol H. Wilson	Chairman	Alfred Ashley	Selectman
Ted Linn	Vice-Chairman	Linda K. Gove	Planning Board Member
Dorothy Linn	Secretary	Jean Krzyzak	Patricia Franz
Dorchester Historic District Commission			

To the Citizens of Grafton County:

In an effort to communicate more directly with the taxpaying citizens of Grafton County, we, the Grafton County Commissioners, are writing to you through your individual town or municipal reports.

Due to inflated Nursing Home expenses with somewhat reduced revenues and rapidly increasing costs of welfare reimbursements to the State, our budget year ended very close to the line, with a \$3,620 surplus. Because of the Delegation's decision to use a two-year surplus in one budget year to allow citizens a reduced county tax in FY 1980, the 1981 fiscal year budget resulted in a heavier tax factor making up that decrease as well as offsetting reduced revenues and allowing for standard budget increases.

As with towns, the county welfare assistance programs are increasing and becoming more involved, especially with the current energy crunch and rapidly inflating economy. We also foresee a possible decrease in Federal and State contributions to social service programs which could have considerable impact on local budgets.

The sewage disposal system has progressed slightly, with planning completed and ready to go out for bid. If all goes well, we may be able to submit a final report next year.

The Commissioners worked closely with the Nursing Home Employee Council to set up a wage/benefit package more compatible to the State program for Glenciff employees. The Commissioners hope to work out a job description/wage scale plan for courthouse employees in the near future.

Grafton County is gradually converting from a bookkeeping machine system to a computerized system for all county accounts. Payroll was converted effective January 1, 1980, and vendor payment and receipt programs were recently added. Patient accounts and purchase order programs will be added later. The system is too new for comprehensive comments, but we anticipate constructive changes in the overall accounting and reporting system.

The Commissioners hold their regular meeting every Monday (except holidays) at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Office of the Grafton County Courthouse, followed by a second meeting at the Grafton County Nursing Home Complex at 1:00 p.m., which regularly includes visits to farm and jail facilities. Public and press are welcome, and, in fact, are encouraged to attend the meetings.

RICHARD L. BRADLEY, Chairman
DOROTHY CAMPION, Clerk
ARTHUR E. SNELL
GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BIRTHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1980

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
Jan. 19, 1980 Plymouth, N.H.	Amanda Jean Delsart	F	Eleanor Grace Dow	Louis Adolph Delsart	N.H.	N.H.
April 13, 1980 Lebanon, N.H.	Jeremy Stanley Weigel	M	Pamela Lucille Quimby	Daniel Albert Weigel	N.H.	N.H.
May 12, 1980 Hanover, N.H.	Karl Edward Franz	M	Patricia Ann Evans	Albert John Franz	Penn.	Penn.
July 11, 1980 Hanover, N.H.	Jeffrey Alan Russeau	M	Jacqueline Lois Gramolini	Larry Gene Russeau	Mass.	Michigan
Dec. 30, 1980 Laconia, N.H.	Katy Lorraine Cote	F	Cathy Lorraine Delaney	William Gene Cote	West Va.	N.H.

MARRIAGES — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1980

Date & Place	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Name of Parents
Dec. 9, 1980 Salisbury, N.H.	Gene Sanborn Cheryl Lynn Carter	Dorchester, N.H. Dorchester, N.H.	Eugene Sanborn Elsie Barrell Richard P. Carter Marjorie Martell

DEATHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1980

Date	Place of Death	Name	Age	Father's Name	Mother's Name
June 8, '80	Plymouth, N.H.	Anna L. Burrows	85	Edward Fisher	Rhoda Johnson
Aug. 28, '80	Dorchester, N.H.	Henry Hillier Davies	90	Place of Burial —	Mt. Calvary, Dorchester, Ma.

NOTES

